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SUBJECT: CONCORDE TO VISIT BERLIN

1. THE FRENCH CAA HAS TABLED AN APPLICATION FOR A SINGLE ENTITY CHARTER FLIGHT BY AN AIR FRANCE CONCORDE TO WEST BERLIN ON JANUARY 17 AND 18. THE AIRCRAFT WILL TAKE A GROUP OF BERLINERS ON A FLIGHT TO PARIS VIA THE NORTH OR CENTRAL CORRIDOR AND OUT OVER THE NORTH SEA WHERE IT WILL GO SUPERSONIC FOR A TIME. THE FLIGHT WILL BE PAID FOR ENTIRELY BY THE BERLIN FIRM, MOEBEL-HOEPNERS. ACCORDING TO LASSUS, AIRCRAFT WILL OBSERVE USUAL CORRIDOR PROCEDURES INCLUDING ALTITUDES.

2. THE BRITISH AND FRENCH CAA'S HAVE INDICATED THEIR INTENTION TO APPROVE THE FLIGHT. WE BELIEVE THAT WE SHOULD ALSO CONCUR. THERE IS, OF COURSE, ALWAYS A RISK THAT THE GDR, WHICH HAS ALREADY MADE SOME NOISES REGARDING THE DISTURBANCE CREATED BY THE GREATER USE OF TEGEL AIRPORT, MAY SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE

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THIS INTO A MAJOR ISSUE. WE BELIEVE, HOWEVER, THAT WE

SHOULD NOT BE DETERRED BY THIS.

3. THEREFORE, UNLESS THE DEPARTMENT PERCEIVES
OBJECTIONS, WE WOULD PROPOSE TO CONCUR WITH THE PLAN
FOR THE CONCORDE FLIGHT TO BERLIN.
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